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FOR: ICS/D, ATT: WOLCOTT AND FISHMAN; IWE, ATT. MCLAUGHLIN: CU/STATE

1. VOLSPKS STEPHNE AND ELENA HESS, ICS/DP, NUMEROUS INTERVIEWS WITH PRESS AND FIVE PROGRAMS GREECE: A) AND B) "ELECTIONS WITHIN AMERICAN ELECTORAL PROCESS," STUDENT CONVOCATION AND EVENING STOCK "FORD-CARTER LECTURE" FOR GENERAL AUDIENCE, BOTH HESSES, ANATOLIA COLLEGE, THESSALONIKI: C) MRS. HESS REMARKS-DISCUSSION WITH NON-PARTISAN DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION; D) MRS. HESS INFORMAL REMARKS-DISCUSSION WITH BUFFET DINNER ACAO FERGUSON'S E) MR. AND MRS. HESS AT FOREIGN PRESS ASSOC.

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E) QP - VG; ED - VG; AR - E; RO - 3.

3. MR. AND MRS. HESS WELL RECEIVED BY 110 UNIVERSITY-BOUND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM ANATOLIA COLLEGE WHO HEARD ONE-HOUR CIVIC LESSON OF SORTS DURING STUDENT CONVOCATION. DISCUSSION PERIOD FOLLOWED. MR. HESS PROVED PARTICULARLY GOOD IN GIVE AND TAKE SITUATION WITH STUDENTS AND 25-30 GENERAL AUDIENCE CATEGORY MEMBERS ATTENDING OPEN LECTURE-DISCUSSION ALSO HELD ANATOLIA COLLEGE. ONLY VERY POLITE QUESTIONS POSED TWO THESSALONIKI EVENTS.

NEXT TWO PROGRAMS, MRS. HESS MET MORE CHALLENGING AUDIENCES BENT ON ASKING QUESTIONS OUTSIDE HER FIELD OF INTEREST, "WOMEN IN U.S. POLITICAL PROCESS." AT BOTH 1 HOUR MEETING WITH SIX MEMBERS DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION AND 2 1/1 HOUR BUFFET WITH 15 PROMINENT GREEK WOMEN, INCLUDING LADY AMALIA FLEMING, JOURNALISTS, A FORMER MP, A REPRESENTATIVE EEC, ETC., MRS. HESS CONFRONTED WITH HARD POLITICAL QUESTIONS SHE WAS NOT CONFORTABLE DEALING WITH. NOT THE CONFIDENT SEASONED LECTURER STEPHEN IS, ELENE CONCENTRATED ON READING FACTS, FIGURE, STATISTICS RATHER THAN PRESENTING INFORMAL REMARKS SITUATION WARRANTED. FIFTH TWO-PRONGED PROGRAM AT FOREIGN PRESS ASSOC. ATTENDED BY 25 ATHENS CORRESPONDENTS, STEPHEN DELIVERED 35-MINUE LECTURE, "MEDIA'S ROLE IN AMERICAN POLITICS," FOLLOWED BY SEARCHING, SOPHISTICATED QUESTIONS-ANSWERED APTLY. THEN STEPHEN AND ELENA ENGAGED IN "FORD-CARTER DEBATE" CONSISTING OF 15-MINUTE OPENING STATEMENTS BY EACH AND FOLLOWED BY LIVELY QUESTION-ANSWER PERIOD HANDLED LARGELY AND MASTERFULLY BY STEPHEN. AS TEAM PROVIDED CLEVER, WITTY EVENING YIELDING MANY POSITIVE EXPRESSIONS OF DELIGHT. FM FOLLOWS. HARATUNIAN

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